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In re Application of: )  
Majid L. Riaziat et al. )  
Serial No.: 09/940,679 )  
Filed: August 27, 2001 )  
For: APPARATUS AND SYSTEM FOR )  
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REQUEST FOR CORRECTED PATENT APPLICATION PUBLICATION

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Sir:

The above-identified patent application was filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on August 27, 2001. However, Applicant has become aware that the preliminary amendment, initially filed along with the application, was overlooked prior to its publication on February 28, 2002. Both the Filing Receipt, mailed October 10, 2001 (Exh. A), and the Published Application (Exh. B), from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, fail to incorporate this amendment for the above-identified application. Particularly, Applicant notes that the amendments to the title and claims are not reflected in the published application. In addition, the published application does not include all of the submitted drawings.

In contacting the Office of Initial Patent Examination on December 4, 2003, to inquire about the status of this application, Applicant mentioned that perhaps the Preliminary Amendment was overlooked. Ms. M. Young of the OIPE concurred, and consequently faxed a Corrected Filing Receipt (Exhibit C), reflecting the accurate title for U.S. Serial No. 09/940,679. She mentioned that the Patent and Trademark Office scanned only the 7 sheets of the formal drawings, but not the 10 sheets of the informal drawings.

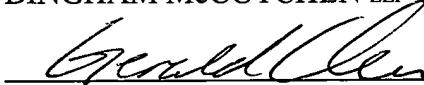
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Applicant requests that the title, claims, and drawings of the Patent Application Publication No. 2000/0023652 A1 be corrected to accurately reflect the application filed on August 27, 2001, which included a preliminary amendment (Exh. D). The Corrected Application Publication should incorporate the preliminary amendment of August 27, 2001, and should include the 10 sheets of informal drawings (16 Figs.). Exhibit E includes our application transmittal (Filing Under 37 CFR § 1.53(b)) showing that 10 informal drawings, as well as the 7 sheets of formal drawings of the parent, which were sent on August 27, 2001. Both sets of filed drawings are also attached as Exh. E.

Kindly provide us with a Corrected Patent Application Publication for Serial No. 09/940,679, filed on August 27, 2001. Should you need to reach me for further questions, please e-mail me at [gerald.chan@bingham.com](mailto:gerald.chan@bingham.com), or contact me at the telephone, giving below.

Respectfully submitted,  
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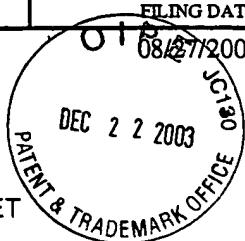


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**Title**

Method and system for positioning patients for medical treatment procedures

**Preliminary Class**

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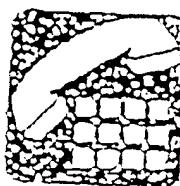
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Title

Apparatus and system for positioning a patient

Preliminary Class

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Art Unit: 3736

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FILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.53(b)

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application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 09/178,385 filed on October 23, 1998, which will issue as U.S. Patent No. 6,279,579 on August 28, 2001, by

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Majid Riaziat et al., entitled:

Apparatus And System For Positioning A Patient

For CONTINUATION or DIVISION APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied, referenced above, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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**I. APPLICATION ELEMENTS ENCLOSED**

18 Page(s) of Written Description  
5 Page(s) of Claims  
1 Page(s) of Abstract  
10 Sheet(s) of Drawings  formal  informal  
7 Sheet(s) of Drawings  formal  informal  
3 Page(s) of  Declaration or  Declaration and Power of Attorney  
     Copy from prior application [37 CFR §1.63(d)]  
     Newly executed  
Other:  
 Assignment papers (cover sheet and documents(s))  
 An Information Disclosure Statement, PTO 1449,  with copies of cited items.  
 Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35

**II. FEE CALCULATION**

Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.

<b>BASIC FILING FEE:</b>						\$710.00
Total Claims	20	-	20	=	0	<input type="checkbox"/> \$18.00
Independent Claims	3	-	3	=	0	<input type="checkbox"/> \$80.00
Multiple Dependent Claims	\$270	(if applicable)			<input type="checkbox"/>	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS</b>						\$710.00
Reduction by $\frac{1}{2}$ for Filing by Small Entity.				<input type="checkbox"/>		\$0.00
Misc. Filing Fees (Recordation of Assignment)						\$0.00
<b>TOTAL FEES DUE HEREWITH</b>						\$710.00

**III. PRIORITY - 35 USC § 119**

Priority of application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in Country is claimed under 35 USC § 119.  
 The certified copy has been filed in prior U.S. application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_.  
 The certified copy will follow.

**IV. AMENDMENTS**

- Cancel in this application original Claims 1-27 and 36-37 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes if no new claims are added in a preliminary amendment.)
- A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by Amendment must be numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)

**V. RELATE BACK - 35 USC § 120**

- Relate back information included in preliminary amendment or specification.
- Please amend the specification as follows:

This application is a divisional application of Serial No. 09/178,385, filed October 23, 1998, which will issue as U.S. Patent No. 6,279,579 on August 28, 2001.

- With respect to the prior co-pending U.S. application from which this application claims benefit under 35 USC § 120, the inventor(s) in this application is (are) [37 CFR 1.53(b)(1)]:
  - the same.
  - less than those named in the prior application and it is requested that the following inventor(s) identified above for the prior application be deleted [see 37 CFR §§1.33(b) AND 1.63(d)(2)]:

[Name(s) of inventor(s) to be deleted]

**VI. METHOD OF PAYMENT OF FEES**

- Attached is a check in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_.
- Charge Lyon & Lyon's Deposit Account No. 12-2475 in the amount of \$710.00.
- Not attached. No filing fee is submitted. [This and the surcharge required by 37 CFR § 1.16(e) can be paid subsequently.]

## VII. AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit Lyon & Lyon's Deposit Account No. 12-2475 for any over payment of fees and to charge the following additional fees by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 12-2475:

- 37 CFR § 1.16 (Filing fees and excess claims fees)
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## VIII. POWER OF ATTORNEY & CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

- The power appears in the original papers in the prior application (copy enclosed).
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## IX. MAINTENANCE OF CO-PENDENCY OF PRIOR APPLICATION

- A petition, fee and response has been filed to extend the term in the pending prior application until \_\_\_\_\_. A copy of the petition for extension of time in the prior application is attached.
- A conditional petition for extension of time is being filed in the pending prior application. A copy of the conditional petition for extension of time in the prior application is attached.

**X. ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION**

Please abandon the prior application at a time while the prior application is pending or when the petition for extension of time or to revive in that application is granted and when this application is granted a filing date so as to make this application co-pending with said prior application. At the same time, please add the words "now abandoned" to the amendment of the specification set forth in Item V above.

Respectfully submitted,

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